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TRIAL RUN #3

RAC No. 003/63 50X1

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY Office of Current Intelligence 15 February 1963

DAILY REPORT

SUBJECT: US Reconnaissance Activity over Cuba

1. Today's Schedule (15 February)

> BRASS KNOB 3424, off at 0524 EST; Missions:

BRASS KNOB 3425, off at 0607 EST.

b. 3424 is to cover central Cuba; Purpose:

3425 is to cover the western area of the island, then proceed to the eastern area of Cuba for ad-

ditional coverage.

.c. Weather: Generally heavy cloud cover over

both ends of Cuba with relatively good weather over the center of

the island.

d. IPIR due: 17 February 1963.

2. Yesterday's Activity (14 February)

> a. Missions

> > flown: BRASS KNOB 3420, 45% coverage;

BRASS KNOB 3423, 10% coverage.

IPIR due: 16 February 1963. b.

Reaction: No significant Cuban air defense rec.

action noted.

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#### 3. Shipping Summary

a. Soviet Bloc ships confirmed en route to Cuba 1600 EST 14 February:

Tankers 5
Passenger 2
Dry Cargo 13
Total 20

b. Soviet Bloc ships in Cuban ports 1600 EST 14 February:

Tankers 4
Passenger 1
Dry Cargo 28
Total 33

- c. Dry cargo ships now in Cuban ports which were photographed while inbound to Cuba by low-altitude or surface cameras: 26
- d. Of the 26 dry cargo ships photographed inbound to Cuba, CIA has received photos of 20 of these ships.
  - e. Items of special interest:

Another Soviet ship with a probable military cargo may be en route to Cuba. The Khirug Vishnevsky passed Istanbul on 12 February and declared it was bound for Accra, Ghana, with 2,600 tons of general cargo. This ship has been a frequent arms carrier. Its light load condition and its declaration for Accra strongly suggest a trip to Cuba with military equipment. Confirmation of its destination will not be possible until the ship passes Gibraltar.

One of the two passenger ships now en route to Cuba, the Gruzia, declared 1,900 tons of general cargo and no passengers when it passed Istanbul on 12 February.

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Attachment to RAC No. 003/63

#### BRASS KNOB COVERAGE OF COMOR HIGHEST PRIORITY TARGETS IN CUBA

During 7-13 February 1963

									Totals	
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										Days
	Targets	7	8	9	10	_ננ	12	13	Sorties	Covered
	,								_	
1.	Siguanea Cruise Missile Site						<u> </u>		2	2
2.	Banes Cruise Missile Site						ļ	1	2	2
3.	Santa Cruz del Norte Cruise Site		_3_	1	I	I.			6	4
4.	Camilo Cienfuegos Airfield				1	<u> </u>			2	2
5.	Camaguey Airfield					1				
6	Holguin Airfield	<u> </u>							2	2 .
7.	San Antonio de los Banos Airfield		3	2	1		<u> </u>		8	5
8.	Mariel Naval Base	<u> </u>	2	4*		1			8	4
9.	Banes Naval Base		<u> </u>		_1_	ı	1-1-			4
10.	Cienfuegos Naval Base					1				
11.	Santiago de Cuba Port				1		1		2	2
12.	La Isabella Port		<u> </u>		1	1		<b>└</b>	2	2
13.	Caibarien Port	<u></u>	<u> </u>		1	1	1	<u> </u>	3	3
14.	Cardenas Port		2			1	1_1_		44	3
15.	Casilda Port					<u> </u>	2		2	1
16.	Matanzas Port		2	2	1	1	1	<u> </u>	7	5 .
17. 18.	Havana Port		3	2	1	1	1		- 8	5
18.	Guantanamo Area				1	1			2	2
19.	Pinar del Rio Military Camp					1			11	11
20.	Artemisa Military Camp		1	3*	1	1			6	6
21.	Holguin Military Camp					1			11	1
22.	Remedios Military Camp				1	1			2	2
23.	Santiago de los Vegas Military Camp		3	3*	1	1			8	4
24.	Lourdes (Torrens) Army Camp		3	1	1	1			6	4
25.	Limonar Military Camp	1	2		1	1	1		6	5
25. 26.	Camaguey Military Camp								0	0
	Mayari Arriba U/I				1				1	11
27. 28.	Managua Staging Area		2	2	1	1			6	4
29.	Bejucal Staging Area		3	2	1	1			7	- 4
30.	Manicaragua Staging Area	1				1			1	1

\* Covered by PEG IEG Sorties

During 7-13 February 1963, 73.9 percent of the total land area of Cuba was covered. Of the total land area, 52.6 percent was covered by highly usable photography.

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